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Sir:

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- 1. the Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application executed on February 16, 2001; and
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FIRST NAMED APPLICANT ATTY, DOCKET NO 09/762778 BLAAKMEER 702-010062 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. BARBARA E JOHNSON 700 KOPPERS BUILDING PCT/EP99/05759 436 SEVENTH AVENUE I.A. FILING DATE PITTSBURGH, PA 15219 1818 06 AUG 99 MAR 2001 14 AUG 98 DATE MAILED: NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) 1. The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494), RECEIVED an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495): WEBB, ZIESENHEIM, LOGSDON, U.S. Basic National Fee. ORKIN, & HANSON PC Copy of the international application in: a non-English language. 🗶 English. MAR 2 3 2001 Translation of the international application into English. Oath or Declaration of inventors(s) for DO/EO/US. Copy of Article 19 amendments. Translation of Article 19 amendments into English. The International Preliminary Examination Report in English and its Annexes; if any Translation of Annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report into English: SUBSTITUTION Preliminary amendment(s) filed ____ 13 FEB 01 Information Disclosure Statement(s) filed Assignment document. Power of Attorney and/or Change of Address. Substitute specification filed Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status. Priority Document. Copy of the International Search Report and copies of the references cited therein. Other: LETTER RECOGNIZING ATTORNEYS 2. The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371: a. Translation of the application into English. Note a processing fee will be required if submitted later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date. The current translation is defective for the reasons indicated on the attached Notice of Defective Translation. ☐ b. Processing fee for providing the translation of the application and/or the Annexes later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). 🖾 c. Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) for the reasons indicated on the attached PCT/DO/EO/917. d. Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). as a 🗌 large entity 🔲 small entity, including any required multiple dependent Additional claim fees of \$ claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due. See attached PTO-875. ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH IN 2(a)-2(d) AND 3 ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN ONE MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 21 OR 231 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT. The time period set above may be extended by rlling a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). 4. Translation of the Annexes MUST be submitted no later that the time period set above or the annexes will be cancelled. Note processing fee will be required if submitted later than 30 months from the priority date. 5. The Article 19 amendments are cancelled since a translation was not provided by the appropriate 20 (37 CFR. 494(d)) or 30 (37 CFR 1.495(d)) months from the priority date. Applicant is reminded that any communication to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the

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